

**HR 6074, the Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act** is an \$8.3 billion package that fully funds a robust public health response to coronavirus. It funds vaccine development, provides support for state and local governments, and provides assistance for affected small businesses. Here are the specifics:

- \$61 million to the Food and Drug Administration to facilitate the development and review, both pre-market and post-market, of medical countermeasures, devices, therapies, and vaccines to combat the coronavirus
- \$1 billion in loan subsidies to be made available to help small businesses, small agricultural cooperatives, small aquaculture producers, and non-profit organizations which have been and will be affected by financial losses due to the coronavirus outbreak
- \$2.2 billion to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to support federal, state, and local public health agencies to prevent, prepare for and respond to the coronavirus, including funding for monitoring, testing, contact-tracing, infection control, quarantine efforts, the Infectious Diseases Rapid Response Reserve Fund and global disease detection and emergency response
  - The supplemental supports CDC's repatriation and quarantine efforts, laboratory testing, emergency operations, epidemiological investigations, public information, and surveillance and data analysis
  - It also includes a general provision to reimburse State or local costs incurred for coronavirus preparedness and response activities between January 20 and the date of enactment of this emergency supplemental and a proviso to allow funds to be used for construction or renovation of facilities to improve preparedness and response capabilities at the State and local level
- \$3 billion is allocated for the research and development of vaccines, therapeutics and diagnostics to prevent or treat the effects of coronavirus
  - \$2 billion to the Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority
  - \$826 million to the National Institutes of Health
  - \$300 million in contingency funding for the procurement of vaccines, therapeutics and diagnostics
- \$264 million for consular operations, emergency evacuations of State Department staff and dependents, and other emergency preparedness needs at embassies around the world. Increases transfer threshold for emergency evacuations from \$10 million to \$100 million
- \$435 million to support health systems overseas to prevent, prepare and respond to the coronavirus, of which \$200 million is for the Emergency Reserve Fund
- \$300 million to respond to humanitarian needs arising in countries coping with a coronavirus disease outbreak
- \$250 million to protect against the effects of an outbreak including economic, security, and stabilization requirements
- \$1 million for the USAID Inspector General to perform oversight of coronavirus response activities
- HR 6074 also:
  - Requires that vaccines, therapeutics, and diagnostics developed using taxpayer funds must be available for purchase by the Federal government at a fair and reasonable price

- Allows the Secretary of Health and Human Services to ensure that vaccines, therapeutics, and diagnostics developed using taxpayer funds be affordable in the commercial market
- Allows the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) to waive certain Medicare telehealth restrictions during the coronavirus public health emergency. These waivers would allow Medicare providers to furnish telehealth services to Medicare beneficiaries regardless of whether the beneficiary is in a rural community. This provision would also allow beneficiaries to receive care from physicians and other practitioners in their homes. This provision is estimated to cost \$500 million
- Ensures that the President cannot use funds appropriated in this bill for any other purpose, except for repayment of transfers within the Department of Health and Human Services
- Requires enhanced Government Accountability Office oversight of funds appropriated in this bill

For more details about HR 6074, please read:

<https://appropriations.house.gov/sites/democrats.appropriations.house.gov/files/Coronavirus%20Supp%20Summary%203.4.20.pdf>